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MEDICINAL.

WEAK NERVES

PAINE'S CELESTINE COMPOUND is a Nervous Tonic which never fails. Containing Galery and Cocaine, these powerful stimulants, it speedily cures all nervous disorders.

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PAINE'S CELESTINE COMPOUND purifies the blood. It drives out the lactic acid, which causes rheumatism, and restores the blood-making organs to a healthy condition. It is the true remedy for Rheumatism.

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PAINE'S CELESTINE COMPOUND restores the liver and kidneys to perfect health. This curative power, combined with its nerve tonic, makes it the best remedy for all kidney complaints.

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PAINE'S CELESTINE COMPOUND strengthens the stomach, and quiets the nerves of the digestive organs. This it does by its curative power, and its nerve tonic.

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LEGAL.

NOTICE—Having duly qualified as executrix

of the last will and testament of BAZIL HALL,

of Alexandria county, Virginia, deceased, I

hereby give notice to all persons having claims

against the estate of the said Basil Hall to present

the same to me at my residence in said county,

fully authenticated, for payment, and all persons

debted to said estate are requested to make pay-

ment to me without delay.

FRANCES ANN HALL, Executrix,

Residence, Hall's Hill, Alexandria county, Va.

161 1/2 St.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE—The under-

signed having been appointed administrator

of the estate of the late E. M. ADAMS, hereby

gives notice to all persons indebted to said

estate to pay to him, within the time specified

in the order of the court, the amount of their

debts, fully authenticated, for payment, and

all persons indebted to said estate are requested

to make payment to him, without delay.

CHARLES E. STUART,

Special Commissioner.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Feb. 7, 1888.

TO THE BONDHOLDERS OF THE WASH-

INGTON AND OHIO RAILROAD COM-

PANY.

Take notice that, acting under a decree of the

Circuit Court of the city of Richmond, entered

February 11th, 1888, I will be prepared on and

after Thursday, February 16th, at my office, No.

300 Prince Street, to pay to those entitled the

dividend upon their bonds. Persons claiming

dividends must produce bonds or the special

commissioner's receipt therefor.

CHARLES E. STUART,

Special Commissioner.

Feb. 13th

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The Best Preservative known for keeping away

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It is twice as powerful as three times as lasting

and only half the price of ordinary camphor.

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Just received and for sale in 1-lb packages or in

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We have 18 PORCELEAN CHAMBER SETS,

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Twenty cents per pound.

RED WARRIOR AND LIGHT HORSE HARRY

CHOPPING AXES, Diston's Patent Cross-

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(GLOVES! GLOVES!)—A new assortment of the

best Kid and Dogskin, embroidered black

and unlined, received this day at

AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

STEEL SHOVEL PLOW PLATES, GRASS

SCYTHES and SNATHS, wholesale and retail.

JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS,

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WOODBURN SARVEN WHEELS and OTHER

WAGON MATERIAL; full stock and prices

low for cash at

JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS,

Alexandria, Va.

HOME-MADE CASSIMERS—A large assort-

ment at prices to suit the times. An exam-

ination of them solicited by

AMOS B. SLAYMAKER.

GARDEN TROWELS, of superior quality, solid

cast steel, just received at 328 King street,

Alexandria, Va.

J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

POASTED and GREEN COFFEES for sale at

lowest prices by

J. C. MILBURN.

BLACK and COLORED SILK MITS—A full as-

sortment just received at

AMOS B. SLAYMAKER'S.

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At the Gazette Building, 310 and 312 Prince St.

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Six months..... 3 00 Six months..... 2 00

One month..... 50 Three months..... 1 00

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and under no circumstances will they be allowed to

advertise other than their legitimate business in the

space contracted for.

All transient advertisements must be paid for in ad-

vance.

Persons leaving the city can have the Gazette mailed

to them, postpaid, for fifty cents a month, and the

address changed as often as desired.

Marriage and death notices must be paid for in ad-

vance.

Resolutions in memoriam, of thanks, tributes of respect,

resolutions adopted by societies or persons, unless of

public concern, will only be printed in this paper as

advertisements.

All communications should be addressed to "Gazette,"

Alexandria, Va.

The Gazette office is connected with the Telephone Ex-

change. Advertisements, orders for the paper, news

or any information or business can be sent by Tele-

phone.

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second-class matter.]

Blackmail as a Fine Art.

Gotham is to day paying tribute to a vast

legion of women who live upon the folly,

the egotism and the innate brutality of men.

Police Inspector Williams, who is beyond

all doubt the best authority upon the sub-

ject, estimates their number at 20,000. Ex-

Supt. Walling goes even higher, and puts

the figure 10,000 beyond. The methods em-

ployed by these women display a bewilder-

ing novelty and ingenuity. Some are prac-

tically blackmail, but blackmail so delicate

and artistic as not to come within the law.

Of those who work this vein the most inge-

nious is Mrs. May Robinson, alias May Ro-

berts, alias Irene Latham, alias only heaven

knows how many other names. She is

about 28 years of age, medium sized, hand-

somely proportioned, elegantly dressed, with

a brilliant brunette face that would com-

mand notice and admiration everywhere.

When "at work" she would leave her home

at 9:30 or 10 a. m. and take some thorough-

fare frequented by the merchants, bankers

and wealthy men in general. For duces,

actors and professional "mashers" she had

no eye. But a portly, well-clothed man,

whose mien and demeanor suggested a pros-

perous patrifamilias, received her smile and

bowed the moment he looked at her in half-

recognition. Twice in three times the bait

took and the victim made her acquaintance.

From now on it was clear sailing.

She would use all her powers of conver-

sation to fascinate her new friend and was

seldom unsuccessful. Money was never

mentioned. In reply to the queries he

would naturally make she always gave the

same story. She was a widow, well-born,

well-educated, enjoying life and pleasure,

and having—thanks to her dear dead hus-

band's love and forethought—a limited in-

come of \$10,000 a year, just enough to sup-

port her in comfort. The story reassured

the admirer, who in his heart had feared

that his new inamorata was anything but

what she said. With him she for the next

week lunched, attended matinees and drove

through the park and on the boulevard. In

the mean time she wormed from him his

home and office address, the name of his

wife and children, and a hundred details in

regard to his private life. When this was

accomplished her next move was to send a

begging letter, in which she stated that her

remittances were delayed by litigation or

cut off by reason of some corporation skip-

ping its dividend, and wound up by a very

neat and affectionate request for a loan of a

sum of money, anywhere from \$100 to \$500,

according to the pecuniary responsibility of

her prey. Once in three times this would

bring a financial return. Twice it would

not. Then came the master stroke. With a

coarse pen and the blackest of ink she

would write a fervent love letter upon

heavy white paper, inclose it in the thinnest

and most transparent steamer envelope and

mail it to him at his own house. It always

began, "My Own Darling" or "My Dearest

and Sweetest Love," and ended, "Hoping

to lay your dear tired head again upon my

breast, Your Little Love, May." There was

not a single unkind word in the letter.

There was a vast amount

of passionate love and a very distant

reference to the number of dollars wanted.

A near righted man could read the com-

promising epistle through the envelope.

Much more reading could a jealous wife or

an inquisitive sister or daughter. The luck-

less man received the missive at the break-

fast table. He recognized the handwriting,

read a dozen words through the envelope,

and then went into a cold perspiration.

While in most cases the relationship between

the man and woman had been innocent, the

letter bore all the indicia of guilt, and in a

divorce court would have been proof pre-

sumptive against the husband. Its effect

was terrific and instantaneous. He lost his

appetite for breakfast, and left immediately

for his office or for the house of his cor-

respondent. Nine times in ten the money was

forthcoming, and in many instances large

sums were paid to compromise the matter

and induce secrecy on the part of Mrs. Ro-

berts. So far as known she began her ca-

reer in this line of business on Thirteenth

street, transferred it to Johnson street,

Brooklyn, near Miner's Brooklyn Theatre,

and then went to 26 b street, near Broad-

way. In all three places she had magnifi-

cent rooms, kept a two horse coupe and